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SUBJ: TEARGAS BOMBING OF MULTIRACIAL LUTHERAN MEETING

1. AFTERNOON DECEMBER 19 PRESS REPORTS THAT POLICE HAVE NOT YET UNCOVERED ANY CLUES IN THE TEARGAS BOMBING OF A MULTIRACIAL CHURCH MEETING EVENING DECEMBER 17. WHAT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN HOMEMADE TEARGAS BOMB WAS THROWN THROUGH WINDOW OF CHURCH MEETING HALL IN BLACK TOWNSHIP NEAR RUSTENBURG (ABOUT 70 MILES WEST OF PRETORIA) WHILE CARL MAU, GENERAL SECRETARY OF LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION, WAS ADDRESSING APPROXIMATELY 120 SOUTH AFRICANS AND FOREIGN DELEGATES AT LUTHERAN SYNOD MEETING. SYNOD CALLED TO RATIFY MERGER OF FOUR REGIONAL SOUTH AFRICAN LUTHERAN CHURCHES.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, SEVERAL DELEGATES WERE SERIOUSLY BURNED BY ACID WHICH APPARENTLY CONTAINED IN TEARGAS BOMB. NONE OF THE INJURED IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION. APPARENTLY NONE OF THE FOREIGN DELEGATES, WHICH REPORTEDLY INCLUDED SOME AMERICANS AMONG THOSE HURT.
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